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Honorable William K. Reilly Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 401 M St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Subject: Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee Closure on the OAQPS Staff

Paper for Carbon Monoxide

Dear Mr. Reiliv:

The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) of EPA's Science Advisory Board (SAB) at a meeting on April 28, 1992, completed its review of the document entitled Review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Carbon Monoxide: Assessment of Scientific and Technical Information, OAQPS Staff Paper. The Committee notes with satisfaction the improvements made in the scientific quality and completeness of the staff paper. It has been modified in accordance with the recommendations made by the CASAC in March and April, 1992.

This document is consistent with all aspects of the scientific evidence presented in the criteria document for carbon monoxide. It has organized the relevant information in a logical fashion and the Committee believes that it provides a scientifically adequate basis for regulatory decisions on carbon monoxide. The staff paper concludes, and the CASAC concurs, that a standard of the present form and with a numerical value similar to that of the present standard would be supported by the present scientific data on health effects of exposure to carbon monoxide.

The Committee looks forward to receiving notice of the revised or reaffirmed carbon monoxide standard when it is proposed.

Sincerely,

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Roger O. McClellan, D.V.M.

Chairman

Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee

NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) REVIEW

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